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Inmate Death at FCI Butner (Low)

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Wednesday, May 29, 2020, inmate John Marrone was evaluated by institutional medical staff at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Butner (Low), in Butner, North Carolina for issues relating to shortness of breath, hypoxia and possible pneumonia. He was transported to a local hospital for treatment and further evaluation. On Thursday, May 30, 2020, Mr. Marrone tested positive for COVID-19. On Saturday, June 13, 2020, Mr. Marrone, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Mr. Marrone was an 85-year-old male who was sentenced in the Middle District of Florida to a 37-month sentence for Firearms, Gun Control, Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition, Racketeering, RICO Conspiracy, Illegal Gambling Business, and Use of Communication Facility in Aid of Racketeering. He had been in custody at the Federal Correctional Complex (FCC) Butner since January 30, 2018.

FCI Butner (Low) is a Low security facility that currently houses 1,157 male offenders.

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